AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as indicated below. The language being added is underlined ("__") and the language being deleted contains either a strikethrough ("—") or is enclosed by double brackets ("[[   ]]").

Please substitute the following annotated paragraph for paragraphs 0003:

[0003] The ATM Forum UTOPIA L2 Technical Specification af-phy-0039.000 states that a maximum of 26 Physical Interface (PHY) addresses can be polled within one cell transfer of 53 bytes. This is assuming that the PHY can give a CLAV response within 1 clock cycle. If additional clock cycles are required for the PHY to respond to a PHY address, then less than 26 PHY addresses can be ~~polling~~ polled within one cell transfer.